Mt. Shasta City Council Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

Mt. Shasta Community Center, 629 Alder Street Monday, October 13, 2014; 5:30 p.m.

"Our mission is to maintain the character of our "small town" community while striking an appropriate balance between economic development and preservation of our quality of life. We help create a dynamic and vital City by providing quality, cost-effective municipal services and by forming partnerships with residents and organizations in the constant pursuit of excellence."

Page	Item	STANDING AGENDA ITEMS
	1.	Call to Order and Flag Salute
		At the hour of 5:33 p.m., Mayor Stearns called the meeting to order and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
	2.	Roll call
		Councilmembers Present: Burns, Collings, Moore, Mayor Pro-Tem Harkness, Mayor Stearns Councilmembers Absent: None
	3.	Special Presentations & Announcements: a. Great Northern/Senior Snow Removal Program – Crystal Aston (10 minutes)
		Ms. Aston spoke to the Council regarding the Senior Snow Removal Program. She indicated program requirements, timelines, and application pick-up and drop-off locations.
		b. Mt Shasta Water Conservation Committee – Doug Blackwell (10 minutes)
		Mr. Blackwell indicated he is interested in the Council considering the development of "Mt. Shasta Water Conservation Committee". He further commented this committee should be comprised of a Councilmember and a City staff member, as well as members of the community, to address conservation ideas and concepts. Mr. Blackwell shared three simple water conservation ideas with the Council and expressed his willingness to work with the City to implement these ideas.
	4.	City Council Interviews of Board/Commission /Commissioner Candidates: None
	5.	Public Comment:
		Mayor Stearns opened the meeting for public comment on items not on the agenda.
		 Melinda Willey: Ms. Willey stated she was proud of this community and the surrounding communities regarding their response to the Boles fire. She expressed her concern regarding fireworks and would like the City to explore other alternatives to fireworks due to their fire hazard. Ms. Willey suggested a moratorium on fireworks and further inquired as to the location of the firework show. She requested the City provide her with a written response to her inquiry within ten (10) days. Ms. Willey also inquired about the response to the

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	 written questions from the residents at the March 24, 2014, City Council meeting regarding Crystal Geyser and requested a response in writing. Allou Guthmiller: Ms. Guthmiller expressed her shared concern regarding the fireworks, as she lives near Shastice Park. Kevin Taylor: Mr. Taylor indicated he is from Australia and wanted to address the fireworks issue. He stated they do their fireworks from barges in the water. He also addressed the water issue in Mt. Shasta. He relayed drought is a usual thing in Australia and now the government is having to buy back water rights that were given away. Mr. Taylor urged the Council to be mindful of what they are giving away, as it is very difficult to get it back. Hearing no further requests for Public Comment, Mayor Stearns closed this item.
6.	Meeting Recess (As Necessary)
	By CONSENSUS of the City Council a meeting recess was not taken.
	CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS
7.	Consent Agenda - The City Manager recommends approval of the following Consent Agenda items. All Resolutions and Ordinances on this agenda, or added hereto, shall be introduced or adopted, as applicable, by title only, and the full reading thereof is hereby waived.
	Mayor Stearns called for approval of the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Moore requested item (a) be pulled for separate action.
	 Approval of Minutes: September 15, 2014 Special City Council Meeting Approval of Minutes: September 22, 2014 Regular City Council Meeting
	 b. Acceptance of Brown Act Committee Minutes: ATAC Regular Meeting Minutes of August 15, 2014
	 c. Approval of Disbursements: Accounts Payable: 9/17/2014, and 9/22/2014; Total Gross Payroll and Taxes: For Period Ending 9/17/14 (Finance Director)
	 d. Resolution CCR-14-51 RE: Accepting Easement Deed For Sanitary Sewer – (City Planner)
	An easement for sewer utility is proposed for dedication to the City of Mt. Shasta as a condition of approval for the Vanni Parcel Map (APN 057-311-230), which was approved by the Planning Commission (Resolution PCR-14-01).
	MOTION to approve the consent agenda items (b), (c), and (d) - Resolution CCR-14-51, Accepting Easement Deed for Sanitary Sewer, by Title only. Motion by: Councilmember Moore Second by: Councilmember Collings Council Action: Motion carried on a voice vote as follows: 5 – Ayes (Burns/Collings/Moore/Mayor Pro-Tem Harkness/Mayor Stearns)

MOTION to approve the consent agenda item (a).

Motion by: Mayor Pro-Tem Harkness **Second by:** Councilmember Collings

Council Action: Motion carried on a voice vote as follows: 3 – Ayes (Collings/Mayor Pro-Tem Harkness/Mayor Stearns)

2 – Abstentions (Burns/Moore)

8. Public Hearing RE: Resolution CCR-14-52 RE: Adopting A Negative Declaration And Amending The Mt. Shasta General Plan By Adopting The Public Hearing Draft 2014-2019 Housing Element

<u>Background:</u> The Draft Housing Element has been reviewed by the California Department of Housing and Community Development and an Initial Study/Negative Declaration has been prepared pursuant to CEQA. Planning Commission approved Resolution PCR-14-04 recommending approval of General Plan Amendment consisting of the updated Housing Element.

Report By: Tuliyani Potts, City Planner/Chelsey Norton Payne – Mintier Harnish

<u>Council Action:</u> Adoption of Resolution CCR-14-52

The City Planner, Tuliyani Potts, provided the Council with an overview of her submitted report along with details regarding the process taken to date. Planner Potts introduced Chelsey Norton-Payne who gave the Council a brief presentation on the Housing Element Update. She reviewed their process of engaging the community in workshops and briefly discussed the revisions made. Ms. Norton-Payne indicated they have received a conditional approval by the State if the Housing Element is adopted with the minor revisions they will find it to be incompliance with State law. As such, staff is requesting adoption. Ms. Norton-Payne provided an overview of the regulations and timelines associated with the Housing Element. She entertained questions from the Council regarding transitional/supportive housing, the preservation of housing/neighborhoods, and reasonable expectations of the changes by the State including reasonable timelines.

At the hour of 6:10 p.m., Mayor Stearns opened the Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

Melinda Willey: Ms. Willey inquired as to where the water comes from for the water hook-ups for any new housing. Planner Potts responded the General Plan addressed the entire build out of the City as was proposed. Ms. Willey further inquired as to the current drought situation and if this would change anything. Planner Potts indicated there have not been any changes made at this time.

At the hour of 6:12 p.m., Mayor Stearns closed the Public Hearing portion of the meeting and brought it back to the Council for discussion.

MOTION to adopt Resolution CCR-14-52 RE: Adopting A Negative

Declaration And Amending The Mt. Shasta General Plan By Adopting The Public

Hearing Draft 2014-2019 Housing Element, by Title only.

Motion by: Mayor Pro-Tem Harkness Second by: Councilmember Moore

Council Action: Motion carried on a voice vote as follows:

5 – Ayes (Burns/Collings/Moore/Mayor Pro-Tem Harkness/Mayor Stearns)

9. Resolution CCR-14-53 RE: A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Mt. Shasta Supporting Proposition 1

Resolution CCR-14-54 RE: A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Mt. Shasta Supporting Proposition 2

<u>Background:</u> The League of Cities is supporting both Proposition 1 and Proposition 2. They are asking the Cities to consider adopting a resolution supporting these two propositions. Proposition 1 is the Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014. Proposition 2 is the Rainey Day Budget Stabilization Fund Act.

Report By: Paul Eckert, City Manager

Council Action: Adoption of Resolution CCR-14-53 and Resolution CCR-14-54

The Council engaged in a discussion as to whether or not the Council, as a governmental body, should take formal action regarding one Proposition as opposed to another and whether or not this would unduly influence others to vote in a specific way. A brief discussion was held regarding the benefits of the Propositions and how they impact our local community.

Mayor Stearns opened this agenda item for Public Comment.

 Melinda Willey: Ms. Willey stated she supports Proposition 1 and would like the City Council to support it as well. She spoke to her understanding of the benefits for the community by passing Proposition 1 and again urged the Council to take a vote.

Hearing no further requests to comment, Mayor Stearns closed this agenda item for Public Comment and brought it back to the Council for further discussion.

The City Manager outlined the background of the two Propositions.

The Council again entered into discussion on whether the Council should take a position and the resulting action regarding the two proposed resolutions as well the differentiation between State wide matters versus County or local.

MOTION to adopt Resolution CCR-14-54 RE: Supporting Proposition 2, by Title only.

Motion by: Mayor Stearns

Second by: Mayor Pro-Tem Harkness

Council Action: Motion **FAILS** on a voice vote as follows: **2** – Ayes (Mayor Pro-Tem Harkness/Mayor Stearns)

2 - Noes (Burns/Moore)

1 – Abstention (Collings)

After the motion was made and seconded, prior to the Council taking a vote, Mayor Stearns opened this item again to Public Comment.

 Melinda Willey: Ms. Willey spoke to the current situation with the drought and finances and believes this is a time to have an influence on the State. She indicated this is the time for the Council to provide guidance for their citizens and urged the Council to vote.

MOTION to adopt Resolution CCR-14-53 RE: Supporting Proposition 1, by Title only.

Motion by: Mayor Stearns

Second by: Mayor Pro-Tem Harkness

Council Action: Motion **FAILS** on a voice vote as follows:

2 – Ayes (Mayor Pro-Tem Harkness/Mayor Stearns)

2 - Noes (Burns/Moore)1 - Abstention (Collings)

Both Resolutions CCR-14-53 and CCR-14-54 fail on the voice vote as indicated above.

CITY COUNCIL/STAFF REPORTING PERIOD

10. Council Reports on Attendance at Appointed/Outside Meetings

• Mayor Pro-Tem Harkness spoke to his tour of the Boles fire area and his attendance to the IRWM meeting.

The Council discussed the progress taking place in Weed regarding the Boles fire and shared their appreciation for the residents and community's response to the City of Weed's need. Brief comments were made as to State assistance being made available and the programs being provided.

- Councilmember Moore reported on his attendance to the "Feed for Weed" spaghetti dinner as well as his attendance to the LOLA meeting.
- Councilmember Burns reported on his attendance to the Ad Hoc Committee for the wastewater treatment.
- Mayor Stearns reported on his tour of the Boles fire area, his attendance at a community meeting regarding the Boles fire which was held at the College of the Siskiyous, and his attendance at the LOLA meeting.

11. Council and Staff Comments

City Manager Eckert reported the City continues to provide assistance to the City of Weed. He provided an update on the Alma Street project and indicated the progress made in the Public Works Department with the addition of the new Supervisor, Shawn Powell. City Manager Eckert indicated the marketing signs are going up on "The Landing" property to begin efforts for development.

There was a brief discussion regarding the budget for the Alma Street project and street lighting.

Deputy City Clerk Lapthorne advised the Council of seats available on the Planning Committee, CEDAC, and the Beautification Committee.
Further information was provided regarding the CalTrout presentation on Thursday, October 16 th .
12. Future Agenda Items (Appearing on the agenda within 60-90 days):
 a. Review of Ordinance #275 with the intent to add language allowing the inclusion of downtown property owners to be eligible to sit on the DEAC – 10/2014
b. Recycling Enhancements – 10/2014
c. Fire Department Sleeper Program Update – 12/2014
d. Proposed Crystal Geyser Project Overview of Scoping Process – 11/2014
e. Possible RV Park Development at "The Landing Commerce Park" – 12/2014
f. LED Light System Update – 11/2014
g. Transient Action Response Plan – 10/2014
h. Discuss potential Connection Fee Moratorium to Housing and Multi-Housing Units – 11/2014
i. Name Change for ATAC – 10/2014
j. Municipal Code Amendment – Short Term Rental Ordinance – 11/2014
k. Emergency Plan Overview – 10/2014
I. High Tech Sector Brainstorming – 10/2014
m. High School Jobs Training – 10/2014
Mayor Pro-Tem Harkness inquired as to a response to the proposed closure of the postal processing center in Redding. After Council discussion, the Council requested this item be placed on the October 27, 2014, City Council meeting agenda.
13. Closed Session:
a. Public Employment – Pursuant to Government Code §54957 Employee Evaluation – City Manager
b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9: One Potential Case
At the hour of 7:31 p.m. Mayor Stearns adjourned the Meeting to Closed Session.

Mayor Stearns reconvened the meeting to open session at the hour of 8:58 p.m.
Mayor Stearns reported that Council had provided direction to staff and had taken no action during the Closed Session.
14. Adjourn
There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at the hour of 8:59 p.m. to the next Regular City Council Meeting to be held on Monday, October 27, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Lapthorne
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Deputy City Clerk